

So, if consent is refused, reasons have to be stated. My submission is that the Speaker may give the reasons for refusing consent.

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER.—It has already been disposed of. There is no merit in the point of order raised by the hon. Member.

NOTICE OF ADJOURNMENT MOTION *re*: DROUGHT SITUATION IN THE STATE

† **SRI V. N. PATIL** (Humnabad).—Sir, I have given notice of an adjournment motion to discuss the acute drought conditions prevailing throughout the State. Now, the important question to be discussed by this House, in my humble opinion, should be the drought conditions in the State and not the Ministers' Salaries and Allowances (Amendment) Bill and other matters. We should take notice of it, but it is unfortunate that my adjournment motion has been disallowed. It is mentioned in the letter sent to me that the Chief Minister is going to move a motion in that behalf. So, I insist and request the Chair to see that this motion is allowed and discussed today.

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER.—Has the hon. Member sent notice of any adjournment motion?

SRI V. N. PATIL.—I have sent a notice and I have been informed that my notice is disallowed. That is why I am asking the Chair to reconsider it.

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER.—I cannot reconsider it. The reasons are also stated in the letter which was delivered to the hon. Member. The hon. Member may kindly go through the reasons why it was disallowed. I may state that I am also very much interested in scarcity conditions. I have consulted the Leader of the House in this matter and we have decided to take up this matter in the House and the hon. Member can take his chance to speak. The matter will be elaborately discussed.

SRI B. P. GANGADHAR.—The motion tabled by my hon. Friend regarding scarcity conditions is a very serious matter and is more important than any of the Bills mentioned in the agenda; they are not of such urgency and importance, especially the Bill to raise the salaries and allowances of the Ministers.

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER.—The hon. Member is repeating.

SRI S. S. SHETAR.—Drought is prevailing everywhere and we have not been taking any concrete steps to solve the problem. This problem should be given the topmost priority and not the Ministers' Salaries and Allowances (Amendment) Bill. The drought situation should be taken up today and the Bill might be taken up at any other time because the Congress benches are very sure that it will be passed. This is a matter concerning the entire State. Kindly take it up first.

†Sri VEERENDRA PATIL.—Sir, I want to make the point clear. It appears most of the hon'ble Members have not gone through the Agenda that is now before the House for today. We are not going to take up the consideration of the Mysore Ministers' Salaries and Allowances (Amendment) Bill, 1968, today. I am only introducing it. After the introduction is agreed to, I am going to make a statement on the drought situation in the State and certain literature is going to be circulated for the information of the hon'ble members. I felt that the hon'ble members may take some time to go through the literature and that they will be in a position to offer their views and suggestions tomorrow. Today I am going to make a statement about the drought situation and tomorrow the discussion will commence. That only shows, not only the hon'ble members, but the Government is also equally or rather more anxious than the members to discuss the situation. We are not taking up any Bills, except a few today. The hon'ble members may require to go through the literature that we are going to circulate to all the Members, and tomorrow the discussion will start. After introduction of the Bills, I am going to make a statement about the drought situation.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Sri M. S. KRISHNAN (Mallawaram).—Sir, I rise to a Point of Order. I think, the Bill that is going to be introduced is the Mysore Ministers' Salaries and Allowances (Amendment) Bill, 1968. Here, I would like to refer to Rule 67 of the Rules of Procedure. It says:

“ If the Bill is a Bill which under the Constitution cannot be introduced without the previous sanction or recommendation of the Governor, the member shall annex to the notice such sanction or recommendation conveyed through a Minister, and the notice shall not be valid until this requirement is complied with.”

My problem is this: I do not know whether this requirement has been complied with though the notice has been given to us. Article 207 of the Constitution is very clear. It says:

“ A Bill or amendment making provision for any of the matters specified in sub-clauses (a) to (f) of clause (1) of article 199 shall not be introduced or moved except on the recommendation of the Governor, and a Bill making such provision shall not be introduced in a Legislative Council :

Provided that no recommendation shall be required under this clause for the moving of an amendment making provision for the reduction or abolition of any tax.”

Under these circumstances, I submit that unless previous sanction or recommendation of the Governor has been obtained, permission for introduction should not be given.